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G.A.E. Committee Connecticut General Assembly State Capitol Hartford, CT 06106-1562

RE: SB No. 184

To the G.A.E. Committee:

I am opposed to SB No. 184. The Covid emergency is over, and there is absolutely no need to use it as an excuse to extend the use of absentee ballots.

Mass absentee voting created numerous problems in the past few years. Samples:

- o Absentee ballots compromise chain of custody and make results unreliable.
- The absentee ballot process can be hijacked easily, and there are numerous documented examples in our recent elections.
- Absentee ballots cannot be properly authenticated within our existing election infrastructure.
- The timing of the 2022 primaries along with the start of absentee voting would give candidates just a short time to get their messages to the citizens of this state.

Sincerely,

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